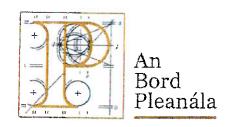
Our Case Number: ABP-317560-23



Brid NicGabhann Carraun Corballa Ballina Co. Sligo

Date: 27 Bealtaine 2024

Re: Proposed windfarm development including 13 no. wind turbines in Bunnyconnellan, Co. Mayo and hydrogen plant in Castleconnor, Co. Sligo.

Carrowleagh, Bunnyconnellan, Co. Mayo and Curraun, Castleconnor, Co. Sligo.

A Chara.

Tá d'aighneacht le déanaí faighte ag an mBord Pleanála maidir leis an bhforbairt thuasluaite atá beartaithe agus cuirfear san áireamh é agus an cheist á cinneadh.

Rachaidh an Bord ar ais chugat in am trátha maidir leis an gceist.

Tabhair faoi deara go gcuirfear cóipeanna de na haighneachtaí / tuairimí ar fad a gheofar maidir leis an iarratas ar fáil lena scrúdú ag an bpobal in oifigí an údaráis áitiúil agus ag oifigí an Bhoird Pleanála nuair a bheidh siad próiseáilte ag an mBord.

Is féidir faisnéis níos mionsonraithe maidir le forbairt bonneagair straitéisigh a fheiceáil ar shuíomh Gréasáin an Bhoird: www.pleanala.ie.

Má tá aon cheist agat idir an dá linn déan teagmháil le do thoil leis an oifigeach den Bhord a shínigh an litir seo. Luaigh uimhir thagartha thuasluaite an Bhoird Phleanála in aon chomhfhreagras nó teagmháil teileafóin leis an mBord.

Is mise, le meas,

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Carraun Corballa Via Ballina Co. Sligo 22nd May 2024

RE: Proposed windfarm development including 13 no. wind turbines in Bunnyconnellan, Co. May and hydrogen plan in Castleconnor, Co. Sligo. Case number 317560-23

To whom it may concern:

The following points are of concern to me regarding the application mentioned above.

1) I am interested in tourism, specifically in this city. It's wonderful for this city that the Euro Velo 1 goes through it. This route follows the road between Sliamh Gamh and Enniscrone, on the L5137-9, L5137-0, L2604, L6604 towards the N59. How are people able to cycle safely, on those slender roads, beside large lorries. It will be too dangerous for tourists and for the locals of the area to go cycling often on these beautiful roads.

The Euro Velo Route 1 is a big deal for Europeans,

'to encourage large numbers of European citizens to give cycling a try, and so to promote a shift to healthy and sustainable travel – for daily trips and as cycling tourism.'

The Euro Velo 1 is the correct way to reduce carbon emissions due to travel and tourism.

This project would be harmful to the Euro Velo 1. This isn't good at a time when we want to entice people to go out in open-air walking or cycling, for health, but more importantly, at a time we are wanting to reduce carbon emissions. This project will disturb this route, and will ruin it in my opinion.

2) I am worried about the information in the application: appendix 9.8 of the EIAR. There is a decrease in water in spring SP1 and spring SP2. I know SP2 well and in my opinion, it was always the same over the years. I have never seen it as low as it is in the pictures in the report Minerex ran.
In my opinion, it is the water pumping they did between 11/7/22 and 22/7/22 that has caused this decrease in water. That has happened over 10 days, what way would it be after

a year of pumping water? It is likely SP2 will be gone forever.

- 3) I would like to draw attention to the notice that was in Sligo Champion on April 17th, 2024. To start, it was difficult to read as the font was too small without proper spacing between the lines. The newspaper page is attached to this letter.
- 4) What are the applicant's plans in relation to 'All associated underground electrical and communications cabling connecting the wind turbines to the wind farm substation'. Where is the drawing displaying these cables. Would these cables not affect those who have turbary rights? There is no evidence of permission being granted from people with turbary rights in the 'new' document the applicant had put up concerning 'Property Overview'. It only mentions people with common rights on grassland on the bog, but those rights follow the turbary rights, which are more important with respects to getting permission.

Kind regards,

Bríd Nic Gabhann.